

# Stieff's Annual Xmas Sale of High-Grade Pianos

From now until Xmas we will offer a big discount from the regular price on every Piano in our store, both in the celebrated Stieff and the other high-grade makes which we handle.

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The Stieff is enjoyed in more Southern homes than any other piano.

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Below we quote a few special bargains in Used Pianos:

1 Chickering Upright  
Mahogany Case.

**\$150**

1 Fine Rosewood Upright  
Cost \$350, for only

**\$193**

TERMS: \$10 CASH, \$7.00 PER MONTH.

1 Fine Mahogany Upright  
Full size, cost \$450, for only

**\$259**

1 Fine Walnut Upright  
Cost \$400, special price,

**\$221**

TERMS: \$10 CASH, \$7.00 PER MONTH.

## Good Square Pianos and Organs from \$15 up

These Pianos are all in perfect condition—as good as new. Call and see them before buying, or write to us regarding them.

Make your selection now, and we will hold your piano and deliver it at Xmas-time, if you desire it. We invite you to call and inspect our complete stock of instruments, which is one of the largest and finest in the South.

If you live out of the city, write to us. Special attention given to "out-of-town" correspondence.

## Chas. M. Stieff,

ESTABLISHED 1842.

L. B. SLAUGHTER, Manager. 205 E. Broad St.

## News of Petersburg

this effect was accordingly entered.

The validity of some of the deeds of trust made by the firm is in question.

**Good Pleas for Tobacco.**

Supervisor J. B. McCulloch reports the sales of tobacco for this week at \$4,185 pounds, and the total sales for the season at 213,225 pounds. The highest price of the season was \$29 per hundred pounds for wrappers grown and cured by Nick Malone, a colored farmer, of Brunswick county, who has the reputation of being one of the most successful tobacco growers in the South.

The Riverside Hunt Club has received and accepted an invitation from the Deer Run Hunt Club, of Richmond, to join the latter in a hunt early in January. The Riverside will take their hounds with them.

**Death of Esteemed Lady.**

Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth Branch, widow of Edward B. Branch, died last night after a protracted illness at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Joseph B. Holsen, on Third Avenue. She was seventy-eight years old, and is survived by two daughters—Mrs. Joseph B. Holsen, and Miss India E. Branch, of this city—and one sister, Mrs. William F. Jones, of Hampton, Va.

The delegates from Petersburg to the recent Southern Commercial Congress and National Rivers and Harbors Congress, held in Washington, have returned home, greatly pleased with their trip.

**Arm Ground Off.**

A negro named Jones, employed on the Smith farm, in Dinwiddie county, while working at a corn shucker yesterday, had his left arm caught in the machine and so badly cut and lacerated that it had to be amputated. The unfortunate man was brought to the office of Dr. J. Bolling Jones, in this city, where the operation was performed.

The Baptist Sunday School Association of this city and vicinity will hold its regular monthly meeting Sunday afternoon in the First Church. The address will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Ryland Knight, of Richmond, on the subject of "The Larger Efficiency of Our Sunday Schools."

**Personal and Otherwise.**

Mr. J. Calvin Lester, a former Petersburgian, now of Kansas City, Mo., where he is engaged in the wholesale grocery business, arrived in the city today on a brief visit to his old home and friends. It has been eighteen years since he left Petersburg, and this is his first visit during that time.

The work of the enlargement of the Federal building in this city is progressing steadily. The granite blocks of the entire rear wall of the building, from foundation to roof, have been removed and marked for use in rebuilding the rear wall of the extension or new part. The building is to be extended southward for a distance of thirty-five feet.

The streets have been crowded today with Christmas shoppers, and the early trade has been large.

Mr. J. P. Steinhilber has been elected superintendent of the Second Baptist Church Sunday school, in place of Mr. Charles W. Ellington, who has resigned to remove to North Carolina.

**Allen—Quincy.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NORFOLK, Va., December 12.—A marriage of unusual interest throughout Virginia and in naval circles took place this evening at 5 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Commander John G. Quincy, U. S. N., and Mrs. Quincy, when their daughter, Miss Lucy Argus Quincy, of Norfolk, and Misspinner Archer, Merideth Rutland Allen were married.

The wedding was a quiet one, owing to the recent death of the bride's grandfather. The ceremony was performed by Fray C. C. Steinmetz, rector of Christ Episcopal Church.

The bride was given away by her father. She wore an empire robe of white faille Francaise silk, embroidered in silver, with point lace trimmings, and carried white Bride roses.

Miss Katherine Quincy, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a gown of pink silk cloth over silk, and carried pink roses.

Mr. Laurence Allen, of Albemarle, Mass., a brother of the groom, acted as best man.

Miss Quincy made her debut last season, since which time she has been an acknowledged belle.

**Threw Rock at Train.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LOUISA, Va., December 12.—Some one threw a rock and smashed a window of the coach on a Chesapeake and Ohio westbound passenger train just after it pulled out of Beaver Dam this afternoon. No one was seriously hurt, but a young woman near the window was slightly cut by glass.

**MILLION-DOLLAR BRIDGE.**

Carrying Capacity of Road Will Be Greatly Increased.

Mr. J. E. Greiner, consulting engineer, Continental Building, Baltimore, Md., writes that the Albemarle Sound bridge of the Norfolk and Western Railway crosses Albemarle Sound from Skinner's Point to a point on the opposite shore at a short distance east of the mouth of Mackey's Creek. N. C. will be a single-track railroad bridge 2,730 feet in length, composed mainly of pile trestle work, and having four steel-plate girder spans of fifty feet each and two steel bascule bridges, each giving a clear opening of 140 feet. The total cost of the work from end to end will be about \$1,000,000.

The report of the receivers of the Norfolk and Southern Railway says that \$221,000 were expended on the bridge when work was stopped in the fall of 1907, and the contract was canceled for lack of funds. The material on hand which cost \$80,000, and they asked for \$50,000 to finish the structure. The bridge when completed will connect Epton, N. C., with Mackey's Ferry, N. C., being on the main line and it will take the place of the present car ferry, which carries a distance of nine miles between those points. It is said that passenger trains will be run by the completed bridge save an hour and a quarter in running time and freight trains about six hours. Besides, the carrying capacity of the road will be increased. This improvement will also enable the company to establish fast freight lines between Norfolk, Va., Raleigh and Newbern, N. C., and intermediate points.

**HUNT BREAKFAST.**

Incompetency of the Weather at Warren-ton Prevented the Drive.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WARRENTON, Va., December 12.—On account of the incompetency of the weather the first drive of the week was not ridden, but the hunt breakfast given by Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Evans and Master T. L. Evans, at their home was a most successful entertainment in every way. The house was decorated with cut flowers, and hot and cold meals were served by a caterer from Washington. Several out-of-town guests were present, and at least 100 invitations were issued in town.

**Die of Diphtheria.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] MINERAL, Va., December 12.—Two children died last night near Holladay of diphtheria. The disease is thought to have been contracted from clothes of a brother sent from Philadelphia. Four children of the brother, in Philadelphia have died.

**Callahan—Nelson.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] FREDERICKSBURG, Va., December 12.—Miss Gertrude H. Nelson, daughter of the late W. F. Nelson, of Fredericksburg, was married to Dr. W. R. Callahan at the home of her mother, in New York, Rev. J. K. Lewis, a cousin.

**\$2.50 Long Kid Gloves, Black and Tan, \$1.39 pr.**

**50c Bed Sheets, Full Size, 29c**

**12 1-2c Linen Huck Towels, 7c**

**Inda Tape, all widths, 5c doz**

**25c Moran Ribbon Belting 15c YARD.**

**12 12c Linen Crash, Check or Plain 10c**

**Cadet Guarantee Hosiery, 21c PAIR.**

**Six-Yard Box Tourist Ruching, 10c**

**\$1.25 Broadcloth, 32 inches wide, 65c**

**\$1 Corset, any make, 85c**

**50c Flannel-dress Sacques, 19c**

**\$2 Bed Spread, with or without fringe, \$1.50**

**White and Cream Flannel Nets, 42 inches, 50c**

**\$1.25 Flannellette Wrappers, well made, 89c**

**\$1 Dinner Napkins, full size, 39c**

**\$10 and \$12 Mano Boas, very best made, \$5.00**

**RICHMOND'S ECONOMY CENTER**  
**Julius Sycles Sons**  
201-203 East Broad Street,  
MAIL ORDERS FILLED AT ADVERTISED PRICES!

**50c Window Shades, Best Made, 29c**

**75c Point De Esprit, Black and White Wide Width, 42c a Yard**

...Our Annual...

## December Clearance Sale!

All thought of profit is cast aside. Original cost is not considered. Every effort is made to make Christmas merchandise move fast. For more tempting bargains there is not a store in this locality that can equal such bargains.

## 25% DISCOUNT SALE.

On all Ready-to-Wearables such as Women's, Misses' and Children's Cloaks, Suits, Furs, Skirts, Waists, Millinery, Boys' Clothing, Men's Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Blankets, Rugs, Druggets, Lace Curtains, White Bed Spreads, Comforts, Infants' Cloaks, Caps, Brocatelles, Table Covers.

**Children's Pantalette Leggings, 42c**

**10c German Val. and Fillet Lace, 6 1/4c YARD.**

**10c Canton Flannel, heavy grade, 6c YARD.**

**16 2-3c White Lawn, 49 inches wide, 9 1/2c**

**\$1.25 Taffeta & Peau de Soie, 25 inches wide, 89c YARD.**

**17c Men's and Ladies' Linen Initial Handkerfs, 10c**

### Flannelette Kimonos

75c Flannelette and Crepe Cloth Kimonos, 44c.  
100c Flannelette Dressing Sacques, 75c.  
200c Long Flannelette Kimonos, 89c.  
\$8.00 Silk Kimonos, \$4.20.

### Women's Underwear

**At Bargain Prices**  
75c Women's and Misses' Union Suits, in silver gray and unbleached, all sizes, 42c.  
25c Women's Cotton Fleece Underwear, 21c.  
\$1.25 and \$1.50 All-Wool Union Suits, \$1.00.  
42c Boys' and Girls' Wool Underwear, 19c.  
75c Boys' and Girls' All-Wool Pants, 39c.  
\$1.25 and \$1.50 Women's White and Gray Knicker All-Wool Underwear, 92c.

### Womens & Mens Umbrellas

Good \$2 and \$2.50 Values at \$1.  
Warranted fast color and rain-proof. Large "American Taffeta" Umbrellas, 26 and 28-inch sizes. Women's with handles of pearl, silver, gold, gunmetal, Dresden and natural wood, men's with handles of cane, horn, buck horn, celluloid and natural wood, gold and silver trimmed, paragon frames.

### Domestic Bargains

Shirtings and American Calicoes, 4 1/2c yard.  
15c Pillow Cases, 10c.  
\$1.25 and \$1.50 Sheets, very best made. Flies, Defender and New York Mills, 50x90, guaranteed the best, 89c.  
10c Percales, the late fall styles.  
6 1/2c French Percale, test grade, 36 inches wide, 10 1/2c.  
Amoskeag Apron Gingham, 6 1/2c.  
25c Unbleached Sheeting, 10-4 for 10c.  
15c Silkoline Drapery, 10c.  
16 2-3c Figured Crepons, 10c.  
12 1/2c and 15c Figured Flannelette, light and dark, 9c.  
6 1/2c Bleach Cotton, 4 1/2c.  
All grades 25c All-Wool Flannel.  
20c Flannel, 4c.  
12 1/2c best grade Canton Flannel, 9 1/2c.  
1 1/2c Ultra Sheeting, 25c.  
All colors Elderdown, 21c.  
25c Aca Bed Tickings, 14c.  
21c Bolster Cases, full size, 22c.

### Womens Muslin Underwear

\$1.50 Women's Gown Skirts and Combination Suits, 70c.  
Pants, made of very best muslin, 21c.  
10c Children's Muslin Drawers, 10c.

### Corset Bargains

Every one at Bargain Price.  
The J. S. 75c Corset, all week 41c.  
\$2.00 Corsets, all makes, \$1.50.

### Dress Goods Bargains

EVERY YARD AT SPECIAL REDUCED PRICES.  
30c Wool Check Dress Goods; advertised by other stores at a 50c value, for 21c yard.  
50c Plaid and Check Dress Goods, in all-wool, 38 inches wide, 35c.  
75c All-Wool Dress Goods, in new hard-finished Herringbone, Henrietta, Serges and Plaids, 41c.  
All \$1.00 and \$1.25 Dress Goods, in black and colors, 89c yard.

### New Handkerchiefs

**Underpriced.**  
10c Women's Cross-Bar Muslin Initial Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 5c or 50c dozen.  
AT 12 1/2c—Women's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, solid, hand embroidered, reduced 25c value.  
10c Soft Finished Cambric Handkerchiefs, men's women's and children's, 5c or 50c dozen.  
**SPECIAL AT 5c—Men's and Women's new shades in Colored Border Handkerchiefs, or 50c dozen.**  
10c—Women's and Men's Handkerchiefs, sold up to 25c.  
AT 12 1/2c—Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, all widths, hemmed. You cannot get a better value at 25c.

### Mens Underwear & Hosiery

PRICES LIKE THESE HAVE MADE THIS THE GREAT DEPARTMENT THAT IT IS.  
50c Fleece Lined Underwear, 39c.  
In Jagger color and silver gray—shirts and drawers with soft, warm fleece lining, tailored throughout, sizes from 34 to 44.  
Fine Worsted Underwear, in natural color, medium weight, splendidly made, sizes 34 to 44. Usual \$1.50 kinds at 98c.  
Natural Wool Underwear, fine Australian wool, in natural color, just enough cotton to prevent shrinking. Shirts and Drawers custom finished throughout. Sizes 34 to 50 inches; \$1.00 garments marked here at 79c.  
12c Men's Socks, black and tan, 9 1/2c pair.  
Men's \$4 Hats, Any Style, \$1.10

### Silk Underskirts

\$5.00 and \$6.00 Silk Underskirts, \$2.98.  
\$3.00 and \$10.00 Silk Underskirts, \$5.00.

### White Goods

**Underpriced.**  
10c India Lawn, 3 1/2c.  
15c Curtain Muslin, dotted Swiss, 7 1/2c.  
1 1/2c White Figured Poplin, 12 1/2c.  
17c and 20c White Domest, 9 1/2c.  
17c Pajama Check Muslin, 6 1/2c.  
15c White Check Madras, 8 1/2c.

## Don't Fail to See the Great Jewelry, Neckwear, Kid Gloves, Aprons and Umbrella Bargains

**75c Colored Taffeta & Messaline Silks, all shades, 46c**

**39c White and Turkey Red Table Linen, 21c yd**

**Men's \$3 Fancy Vests, \$1.50**

**Kayser Silk Gloves, double tip fingers, 41c**

**25c Men's Silk Four-in-Hand Ties, 10c**

**\$1 White Kid Gloves, 69c**

**16 2-3c China Matting, 10c yd**

**\$2 Battensburg Linen Centerpieces, 92c**

### RACE-TRACK STANDS

Mr. Doswell Says Bullfield Sale Does Not Interfere With His Work.

Concerning the sale of a part of Bullfield, Mr. T. B. Doswell sent the following statement to The Times-Dispatch yesterday:

"An article appeared in your paper yesterday stating that Bullfield has sold some of its land to a party who is to build a race track. This sale does not in any way interfere with the celebrated old Bullfield race track, which is solely my property, and is not on the market at any price. This track is put into daily use by me in conducting my business, and is now, as always, in excellent condition. Please give this a prominent place in your paper, as the article above referred to may create the wrong impression."

**Miss Nachman Improving.**  
Miss Bertha Nachman, who was recently operated on at St. Luke's Hospital, is improving rapidly, and is now able to see her friends.

## Piles Cured at Last

By Pyramid Pile Cure After Years of Intense Suffering and the Failure of Other Cures.

Free Trial Package Sent in Plain Wrapper.  
"I feel it my duty to let the world know that after years of suffering piles, so that I could not sleep, walk from bed, itching and protruding, or at down without pain, Pyramid Pile Cure has almost entirely cured me, and this with only a trial treatment and one box. I am using the second box and feel I will be cured soon." W. B. Langley, Atlanta, Ga., R. F. D. No. 2, Box 2.

These unsolicited testimonials you can show by the hundreds. Pyramid Pile Cure is on sale at every drug store, price fifty cents. This tells the tale of its popularity and its merit.

Send us your name and address, and we will send you a trial package in plain wrapper by mail free. Address: Pyramid Pile Cure Co., 113 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

### GREGORY SENT ON

Goes to Grand Jury on Charge of Receiving Another's Goods.

C. M. Gregory, charged with having received goods from the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway to the amount of \$380 not consigned to him, was sent on to the grand jury from Magistrate Lewis's court yesterday morning.

The case will be tried during the January term of the Circuit Court. Gregory was remanded to jail.

The evidence developed the fact that the goods were intended for A. C. Ganzer, of Glen Allen. By mistake they were shipped to Elko, where the agent misread the name and delivered them to Gregory, who sent them to an auction house here, where they were sold for \$15.95. Mr. Ganzer, who was at the trial, identified a saddle and other articles alleged to have been taken out of the boxes before Gregory reshipped them to this city.

Gregory testified that he was expecting some boxes, which were delayed in transit. In the meantime he needed the supplies needed, and thinking the boxes contained the goods for which he was looking, he sent them here to be sold, as he had already purchased what he needed.

**Hepatitis Elect Officers.**

At a regular meeting of Virginia Conclave, Hepatitis, the following officers were elected: Past Archon, R. P. Brophy; Archon, E. W. Redford; Provost, L. C. Kracker; Prelate, R. E. Fairbank; Secretary, George W. Hunter; Treasurer, W. P. Sullivan; Inspector, A. Chapman; Trustees, Hock, Sentinel, L. A. Chapman; Trustees, J. Samuel Parrish, Carl Kaufman, Jacob Weinstein; Representative, George W. Hunter; Alternate, H. F. Smith.

### CALDWELL TAYLOR, EDITOR

Richmond Academy Elects Officers in Public List the Signal Next Year.

The annual association of the Richmond Academy, which published the Signal last year, was reorganized on Friday, electing the following officers, whose duty it will be to edit the Signal for 1909: Editor-in-Chief, Caldwell Taylor; Assistant Editor, Evans Davison; Editor, Jesse Tucker; Athletic Editor, Walter Scott; Business Manager, Lewis Saunders; Assistant Business Manager, Maxwell Wadley.

### HARRY TINSLEY CAUGHT

Alfred Footard, Arrested in Suffolk, to Be Brought Back.

Harry Tinsley, one of the quartet of negroes alleged to have committed the recent hold-ups in the city, has been arrested in Suffolk and will be brought back to Richmond for trial by one of the members of the detective force. Tinsley got into trouble with some of his relatives in Suffolk and they turned him over to the police, who recognized him as the man wanted here.

Sam Jackson, John Butler, and Jesse Scott, the other three men, are in custody.

**On Oath to Appear.**

Charles H. Hairston (colored), charged with selling untaxed tobacco, was released on his own recognizance by United States Commissioner Melvin Flegenheimer yesterday. The negro is on his oath to appear at the January term of the United States District Court. The evidence against the accused was a flimsy character, and there is scarcely a chance of his being convicted.

**Talley—Tallaferra.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] ELLERSON, Va., December 12.—A marriage of much interest took place in Hanover county Tuesday evening, December 12th, at 6:30 o'clock, at Walnut Grove Baptist Church, when Miss Blanche Tallaferra became the bride of Mr. Robert Talley. The bride was accompanied to the altar by her father, Mr. John Talley, of this city, and her best man, Mr. Charles Phillips, of Richmond, and was met by the groom, Mr. Robert Talley, of Hanover, a cousin of the bride, residing at the organ.

**Lodge Elects Officers.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BOYKINS, Va., December 12.—Cypress Camp, No. 110, Woodmen of the World, held its regular meeting Thursday night. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Past Consul Commander, W. W. Whitte; Consul Commander, C. T. Beaton; Advisory Lieutenant, W. S. Beaton; Clerk, T. W. Martin; Banker, W. Herbert Britt; Watchman, W. F. Gray; Sentinel, H. M. Drewry.

**Before Ordering Flowers**

Orchids, Lilies of the Valley, American Beauties, Violets, Carnations, Potted Plants, Cut Flowers.

It would be well to look over our collection of special Christmas offerings. You'll find "Miniborya Farm" quality in every item: Freshness, beauty of blossom, vividness of foliage and perfection in every detail.

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